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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L UDORN 206

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TAGS: PINT, TH

SUBJECT: STUDENTS ACTIVITIES AT KORAT AND UDORN SEPT. 20-23.

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1. STUDENTS ACTIVITY IN UDORN AND KORAT HAS DRAWN MIXED

RESPONSE DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS.

2. IN KORAT STUDENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AND THE TEACHER'S COLLEGE MET SUCCESSFULLY ON THE NIGHT OF SEPT 20 THROUGH 22. ON THE 20TH ABOUT 5-600 GATHERED AT LADY MOE MONUMENT TO LISTEN TO A MEDIOCRE PROGRAM OF LOCAL SPEAKERS WHO STRUCTURED THEIR SPEECHES AROUND THE AGE ISSUES, A ONE HOUSE PARLIAMENT AND OUSTING FOREIGN TROOPS, BUT AIMED MOST OF THEIR BARBS AT KUKRIT PRAMOJ'S PRIVATE LIFE. THE STUDENTS DISPERSED AROUND MIDNIGHT.

3. ON THE NIGHT OF THE 21ST, HOWEVER, BANGKOK SPEAKERS PRASAN MARUKHAPHITHAK, PHAIRAT SANGTHING (FORMER STUDENT LEADER AT RANKANHAENG UNIVERSITY), AND PRAYOON PHUNBAMPHEN, ALL MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR DEMOCRACY GROUP EFFECTIVELY DEPT ABOUT 800 AT THE MONUMENT UNTIL 0400 HOURS. THEY RAISED THE SAME SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES AS THE PREVIOUS NIGHT AND ALSO CRITICIZED U.S. CAPITALISTS' INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER NATIONS, NOTED OUR FAILURE IN VIETNAM AND SAID THAT MILLIONS OF ASIANS HAD BEEN KILLED BY U.S. ARMS.

4. ON NIGHT OF 22ND KORAT STUDENTS AGAIN TRIED TO ORGANIZE CROWD ABOUT 1700 HOURS BUT THE EFFORT FAILED. THROUGHOUT, THE ATTITUDE OF OLDER PEOPLE ON FRINGES OF CROWD WAS PASSIVE AND INDICATIVE OF LITTLE SUPPORT.

5. MEANWHILE IN UDORN ON 23 SEPT. STUDENTS FOR DEMOCRACY MEMBER CHALOUEY KHAMDEE CALLED MEETING OF EVENING STUDENTS AT UDORN TEACHERS COLLEGE. ABOUT 500 OUT OF 2000 STUDENTS ATTENDED. CHALOUEY SAID HE HAD JUST RETURNED FROM MEETING WITH NSCT IN BANGKOK WHICH HAD DECIDED TO WAIT UNTIL OCT. 4 TO SEE IF NLA WOULD PASS THIRD READING OF CONSTITUTION. IF IT PASSED, NSCT WOULD CONTINUE STRUGGLE BUT NO MENTION OF HOW. ACCORDING TO REPORTS, CHALOUEY RECEIVED ONLY LUKEWARM AUDIENCE RESPONSE.

6. UDORN GOVERNOR ANEK SITTHIPRASAT ON SEPT 23 SAID THAT STUDENT DEMANDS FOR CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION WERE EXCESSIVE. ANEK SAID HE WILL RESIGN FROM NLA MEMBERSHIP IF THE CONSTITUTION FAILS TO PASS ON THE THIRD READING.

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7. COMMENT: IT APPEARS THAT THE STUDENT ORGANIZERS WERE NOT ABLE TO ELICIT THE SUPPORT THEY HOPED FOR AT KORAT AND UDORN THIS TIME AROUND. BIGELOW GDS 80. UNQUOTE.  
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